UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ARCELORMITTAL NORTH AMERICA HOLDINGS LLC,

Plaintiff,

-v.-

ESSAR GLOBAL FUND LIMITED and MESABI METALLICS COMPANY LLC,

Defendants.

21 Civ. 6975 (KPF)

ORDER

KATHERINE POLK FAILLA, District Judge:

Following the conference of November 3, 2021, regarding Defendants' contemplated motion to dismiss, the Court hereby GRANTS Defendants' request for bifurcated motion practice. Accordingly, Defendants shall be permitted to file a motion to dismiss that addresses the issues of *forum non conveniens* and international comity.

The parties shall adhere to the following briefing schedule on this motion: Defendants' opening papers shall be filed on or before **December 10**, **2021**; Plaintiff's opposition brief shall be filed on or before **January 18**, **2022**; and Defendants' reply brief shall be filed on or before **February 4**, **2022**.

The Court will permit Defendants leave to file an opening brief of no more than 35 pages; Plaintiff may file an opposition brief of no more than 35 pages; and Defendants may file a reply brief of no more than 17 pages.

Defendants are further ordered to request a copy of the transcript of the November 3, 2021 conference in the ordinary course.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 4, 2021

New York, New York

KATHERINE POLK FAILLA

United States District Judge

Katherin Palle Faula